

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) ~~An information indicating~~ A method for mediating in a customized form to share information between a transmitter site and a viewer site, employing an information sharing apparatus coupled with an information transferring transmitting apparatus for transferring information and an information viewing apparatus for viewing said information through a network; ~~said information indicating~~ method comprising the steps of:

receiving an access from said information transmitting apparatus or said information viewing apparatus by said information sharing apparatus;

sending a menu information to said transmitting apparatus when said information sharing apparatus accepts said information transmitting apparatus or said information viewing apparatus as a transmitter and when customization has been granted;

storing both an identifier for identifying said transmitting apparatus and customization information for determining an indication form of said information, in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;

receiving said information and said identifier from said information transmitting apparatus;

storing said received information in storage units corresponding to each said identifier;

receiving from said information viewing apparatus a request for viewing partial information included in said stored information;

searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and

indicating on said information viewing apparatus said partial information in an indication form determined based on said customization information retrieved as a result of said search.

2. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein said identifier and said customization information are received from said information transmitting apparatus before said identifier and said customization information are stored in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other.

3. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein an item name of an item included in said partial information is indicated in such a way that said item name is changed for each said identifier.

4. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein an item order of an item constituting said partial information is

indicated in such a way that said item order is sorted or changed ~~(changed)~~ for each said identifier.

5. (currently amended) ~~An information-indicating-apparatus for mediating in a customized form to share information between a transmitter site and a viewer site~~ indicating information based on a request, said apparatus comprising:

storing means for storing information that can be indicated, for each record to in predetermined storage units, ~~said information being able to be indicated;~~

memory means for storing each said record to said storage unit in such a way that customization information is associated with each said record storage unit, in which said customization information is defined via said transmitter site as an having its-indication manner of said record defined;

accepting means for accepting a request for ~~indicating~~ indication of partial information included in said information; and

indicating means for indicating said partial information in an indication manner defined by said customization information ~~corresponding to storage units~~ constituting associated with said records corresponding to said partial information.

6. (currently amended) ~~The information-indicating-apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein said customization information includes an indication form of said~~ partial information.

7. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:

receiving means for, from an information transmitting apparatus which transmits said information, receiving said information and an identifier for identifying a manager of said information transmitting apparatus;

wherein said storing means stores said information in said storage units corresponding to each said identifier, and said memory means stores each said identifier in such a way that said customization information is associated with each said identifier.

8. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 7, further comprising:

another receiving means for receiving a request for viewing said identifier and said partial information, from an information viewing apparatus capable of viewing said partial information.

9. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 5, wherein said customization information includes a predefined indication item and a customization indication item name defined by a person who needs to indicate said partial information, in such a way that said predefined indication item and said customization indication item name are associated with each other; and said indicating means indicates said partial information expressed by use of said customization indication item name.

10. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus as claimed in claim 9, further comprising:~~

transmitting means for, to said person who needs to indicate said partial information, transmitting data for prompting for input of said customization indication item name for said indication item; and

receiving means for, ~~from~~ said person who needs to indicate said partial information, receiving said customization indication item name entered for said indication item.

11. (currently amended) A computer readable memory which stores a A program for causing a computer coupled with an information transmitting apparatus for transferring information and an information viewing apparatus for viewing said information through a network, to perform predetermined processing, said predetermined processing comprising said program when executed causes the computer to perform the steps of:

receiving an access from said information transmitting apparatus when said information sharing apparatus accepts as a transmitter and also as customization granted;

storing both an identifier for identifying said transmitting apparatus and customization information for determining an indication form of said information, in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;

receiving said information and said identifier from said information transmitting apparatus;

storing said received information in storage units corresponding to said identifier;

receiving from said information viewing apparatus a request for viewing partial information included in said stored information;

searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and

indicating on said information viewing apparatus said partial information in an indication form determined based on said customization information retrieved as a result of said search.

~~— an input step of receiving both an identifier for identifying a provider of information to be stored in a storage apparatus and said information;~~

~~— a holding step of storing said identifier and customization information for specifying an indication form of said information in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;~~

~~— a storing step of storing said information provided by said provider in storage units corresponding to said identifier;~~

~~— a receiving step of receiving a request for viewing partial information included in said information;~~

~~— a searching step of searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and~~

~~an indicating step of indicating said partial information in an indication manner
corresponding to said customization information.~~

Claims 12-14 (canceled).